



STATE OF UTAH  
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Oil, Gas & Mining

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July 22, 1985

The Salina Sun  
P. O. Box C  
Salina, Utah 84654

Gentlemen:

Re: NOTICE OF TENTATIVE APPROVAL - ACT/041/012

Attached is a Notice of Tentative Approval from the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Department of Natural Resources, State of Utah.

It is requested that this notice be published ONCE ONLY, as soon as possible, but no later than the 1st day of August, 1985. In the event that said notice cannot be published by this date, please notify me immediately by calling 538-5340.

Upon completion of this request, please send proof of publication and statement of cost to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 355 West North Temple, 3 Triad Center, Suite 350, Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Sincerely,

Marjorie L. Anderson  
Administrative Assistant

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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
IN AND FOR THE STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE  
APPROVAL OF THE MINING AND  
RECLAMATION PLAN SUBMITTED  
BY WESTERN CLAY COMPANY,  
SEVIER COUNTY, UTAH

\* NOTICE OF TENTATIVE APPROVAL  
\* ACT/041/012  
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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION,  
MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, SEVIER COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given that tentative approval was given by the  
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, on July 19, 1985 to a mining plan  
modification for Western Clay Company to extend surface mining  
operations in Section 2, Township 21 South, Range 1 West,  
Sevier County, Utah.

Western Clay Company currently has a four-acre mining operation  
in a different part of the same section which received a mining  
permit in 1983. The name of the proposed mining operation is the  
Redmond Bentonite Pit modification and the person representing the  
company is Mr. Tom Chivers, P. O. Box 1067, Aurora, Utah 84620.

Western Clay Company has fulfilled obligations under the Utah  
Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 (Section 40-8, UCA 1953 as  
amended) with specific reference to Section 40-8-18 and will employ  
the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately  
8.5 acres of state land.

During Operations:

1. The bentonite clay deposit being mined occurs on the  
surface and thus does not require explosives to mine. It  
sometimes requires ripping. The clay is mined with a  
front-end loader and loaded into a truck for transport to a  
processing plant in Aurora, Utah
2. There will be no structures on site.
3. Any topsoil or overburden present will be removed for  
reclamation purposes.
4. Runoff from the minesite will be contained in two catch  
basins. Any water collecting in the pit will be pumped so  
as to flow into the catch basins.

Following operations:

1. All trash and debris will be cleaned up.
2. Slopes will be regraded to a stable configuration.
3. Soil material will be reapplied, harrowed and drill seeded with a mixture adapted to the area.
4. Test plots have been implemented to help determine the best methods for successful reclamation.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 355 W. North Temple, 3 Triad Center, Suite 350, Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203, setting forth factual reasons for his or her complaint, and thereafter, at a time and place to be established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining to show cause, if any, why this mine plan should not be approved.

DATED this 22nd day of July 1985.

STATE OF UTAH  
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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